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- 1) What were the expectations of the educational systems for the students?
  - a. The school was just trying to push us through. There really wasn't much of an expectation other than for us to finish.
- 2) What were the expectations of your parent(s)/guardian(s) for your education?
  - a. My parents always expected me to be in charge of my own education. They didn't have many expectations for me other than to finish.
- 3) What were the expectations of the business world on education?
  - a. The city wasn't always as invested in the school as it was in us leaving school and getting a job.
- 4) What were your expectations for your own education? How were the classes physically set up?
  - a. I went left high school and went to college for a science degree. I was one of 4 women in the entire program. Because it was really difficult to be hired as a women anywhere with a science degree, I went on to become a math teacher in the same city I grew up.
- 5) What types of strategies did the teachers use when teaching?
  - a. Lectures. All of my classes were lectures, and just taking notes.
- 6) What strategies did and did not meet your needs and why? In what setting did you have joy for learning and describe a most memorable teacher that had major influence on your learning?
  - a. There really weren't any other strategies other than lecture. I remember a few history classes, we acted things out but other than that, it really was just the teacher standing up there talking, and us taking notes.
- 7) What do you remember about the socioeconomic level(s) and ethnic diversity of the student body?
  - a. Having been from the city, there were a lot of different ethnicities in throughout the school. Mostly white, and Asian. Everybody was poor back then, unless you came from money. There were barely any jobs in the city and it was during a very hippie period so drugs had a huge effect on us.
- 8) How were the programs and classes structured and what were your thoughts and responses to it?
  - a. We sat in rows, looking up at the board. That was really all I can remember. Its hard to think differently of it when that's all you know.
- 9) What types of classes did you take and how do you feel about the education you received?
  - a. I got a mediocre education in high school. It was such a weird time in the 70's that school really wasn't the focus for people.

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The schools were honestly just surprised that some of us were even still going. I went to parochial school and almost all of my friends were leaving school to go on to be priests and I was expected to do the same.

10) What were the expectations of your parent(s)/guardian(s) for your education?

. Being from such a large Italian family, I was expected to leave school and help my parents with all of their businesses. But that obviously didn't happen.

11) What were the expectations of the business world on education?

a. Everyone was so weird about the parochial school. They almost wouldn't come near it because it had to do with God. Oh well I guess, I found my way into the world anyway.

12) What were your expectations for your own education? How were the classes physically set up?

a. . I knew I wanted to work in the medical field so I did. That's just how I feel about it.

13) What types of strategies did the teachers use when teaching?

a. They were nuns, so lets just say, they were horrible all the time.

14) What strategies did and did not meet your needs and why? In what setting did you have joy for learning and describe a most memorable teacher that had major influence on your learning?

a. I can tell you right now, I have never looked at a ruler the same way again. That sure didn't help me learn. All it did was teach me how to run faster than the nuns.

15) What do you remember about the socioeconomic level(s) and ethnic diversity of the student body?

a. The parochial school was private so everyone there was somewhat wealthy. I remember us being very well off, and I would have a lot of my friends and family over for dinner. Back then, I didn't think about how they wore my hand-me-downs but now I understand why they were.

16) How were the programs and classes structured and what were your thoughts and responses to it?

a. We were in rows and had to rewrite a lot of stuff. Big focus on English and understanding words and literature.

17) What types of classes did you take and how do you feel about the education you received?

- a. I think that the most amount of education I received in my time was at the Massachusetts General Hospital School of Radiology. You got to be more open and free and could explore so many different things, but that's college so it's a little different.